SENATE BILL 1760

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 24, relative to assessing any fine remaining in default by contempt.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-24-105(a), is amended by inserting the following sentence between the first and second sentences:

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the trial court may enforce all orders assessing any fine in default as criminal contempt pursuant to Rule 42 of the Rules of Criminal Procedure.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-24-105(c), is amended by inserting the following sentence between the first and second sentences:

Any fine remaining in default after the entry of the order assessing the fine may be enforced by the trial court as criminal contempt pursuant to Rule 42 of the Rules of Criminal Procedure.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.